

2.2) Functions and mappings

Worked example

State whether:

- the mapping is one-to-one, many-to-one, or one-to-many
- the mapping is a function

$$f(x) = 2x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$i(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Your turn

State whether:

- the mapping is one-to-one, many-to-one, or one-to-many
- the mapping is a function

$$p(x) = x^3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

One-to-one: a function

$$q(x) = \left| \frac{1}{x} \right|, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Many-to-one: Not a function

$$r(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

One-to-one: a function

$$s(x) = \pm\sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0$$

One-to-many: Not a function

Worked example

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{7x-21}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{3}{2x^2 - x - 3}$$

$$i(x) = \frac{4x+5}{x^2-64}$$

Your turn

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$p(x) = \frac{6}{x+4}$$

$$x \neq -4$$

$$q(x) = \frac{7}{5x+20}$$

$$x \neq -4$$

$$r(x) = \frac{8}{3x^2 + 10x - 8}$$

$$x \neq \frac{2}{3}, x \neq -4$$

$$s(x) = \frac{9x-10}{x^2-16}$$

$$x \neq -4, x \neq 4$$

Worked example

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x - 3}$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{7x - 21}$$

$$h(x) = \sqrt{7x + 21}$$

$$i(x) = \sqrt{21 - 7x}$$

Your turn

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$p(x) = \sqrt{x + 4}$$

$$x \geq -4$$

$$q(x) = \sqrt{5x + 20}$$

$$x \geq -4$$

$$r(x) = \sqrt{5x - 20}$$

$$x \geq 4$$

$$s(x) = \sqrt{20 - 5x}$$

$$x \leq 4$$

Worked example

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+3}}{x^2 - 2x}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 - 2x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + 5x + 6}}$$

Your turn

Write down the largest possible domain for:

$$h(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+4}}{x^4 - 25x^2}$$

$$x \geq -4, x \neq 0, x \neq 5$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = 2x - 3, \quad x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$g(x) = 3 - 2x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 0$$

$$h(x) = 3 - 2x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 2 < x < 5$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$p(x) = 3x - 2, \quad x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$p(x) = \{1, 4, 7, 10\}$$

$$q(x) = 2 - 3x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

$$q(x) < 2$$

$$r(x) = 2 - 3x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -3 < x \leq 4$$

$$-10 \leq r(x) < 11$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = x^4, \quad x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$g(x) = x^4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 0$$

$$h(x) = x^4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -2 \leq x < 5$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$p(x) = x^2, \quad x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$p(x) = \{1, 4, 9, 16\}$$

$$q(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

$$q(x) > 0$$

$$r(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -3 < x \leq 4$$

$$0 \leq r(x) \leq 16$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x = \{-1, -2, -3, -4\}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 1$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -2 \leq x < 5$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$p(x) = \left\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}\right\}$$

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > -1$$

$$q(x) < 1$$

$$r(x) = \frac{1}{x-5}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -3 < x \leq 4$$

$$-1 \leq r(x) < -\frac{1}{8}$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$$

$$h(x) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = e^x + 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = e^x - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

$$h(x) = -e^x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 0$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$p(x) = e^x + 8, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$p(x) > 8$$

$$q(x) = e^x - 7, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 0$$

$$-7 < x < -6$$

$$r(x) = -e^x - 6, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0$$

$$r(x) \leq -7$$

Worked example

Find the range of the following functions:

$$f(x) = \ln x + 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

$$g(x) = \ln x - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

Your turn

Find the range of the following functions:

$$h(x) = \ln x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

$$h(x) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Worked example

The function f is defined by

$$f: x \rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x \leq 5$$

Find the range of f .

The function f is defined by

$$g: x \rightarrow x^2 + 6x - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, -5 < x \leq 0$$

Find the range of f .

Your turn

The function h is defined by

$$h: x \rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x < 5$$

Find the range of h .

$$-3 \leq h(x) < 6$$

Worked example

The function f is defined by $f(x) = x^2 - 8x + 27$ and has domain $x \geq a$. Given that $f(x)$ is a one-to-one function, find the smallest possible value of the constant a

The function g is defined by $g(x) = x^2 + 4x + 15$ and has domain $x \leq a$. Given that $g(x)$ is a one-to-one function, find the smallest possible value of the constant a

Your turn

The function h is defined by $h(x) = x^2 - 6x + 20$ and has domain $x \geq a$. Given that $f(x)$ is a one-to-one function, find the smallest possible value of the constant a

$$a = 3$$